Subversive elemtnts hampering Nathpa Jnagrl Project

2016. DR. *MURLI* MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that terrorists trained in Pakistan have mixed with the workers of Nathpa Jhakri Project in order to harm the project; if so, what are the details thereof and what is the number of subversive elements arrested/apprehended in 1994;

(b) whether Government have made investigation to find out how subversive elements have found employment in the project, if so, what are the find-ings; and

(c) whether the work in Dulhasti project which had to be stopped due to terrorist threats, has made any prog ress and if so, what are the details there of and if not, in what manner Govern-ment propose to proceed with this project?

THE MINISTER OF STAT£ IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU); (a) According to the State Government of Himachal Ptadesh, there is nothing to suggest that Pakistan trainel militants had mixed with the Nathpa Jhakri Project workers to harm the project. However, in May 1994 Punjab and Himachal Pra desh police had apprehended fifteen suspected Kashmiri workers. Their interrogation revealed that six of them were having links with J&K militants and were intending to pilfer explosives from the construction-site with a view to causing disruption

(b) The State Government of Himachal Pradesh have since issued instructions to the project authorities that no outside worker be employed without verifiestion by the police sutheriaies of the home police station of the worker, as prior to the incident the contractors were employing workers without such verification.

(c) National Hydroelectric Power Corporation and the French Consoar-tiam of firms are nesotiating the terms of resumption of work at Dulhasti hydroelectric power project and towards this end, a Memorandum of Understanding WAS recently signed by them.

Re-orientation of DESU

2017. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem appearing in the 'Hindustan Times' of July 3, 1994 under the caption "Dual control bane of DESU" ;

(b) if so, what steps have bees/ are being contemplated to re-orient the management and control of DESU and to make it more service oriented; and

(c) the losses incurred by DESU during 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94 and that likely to incur in 1994-95?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Task Force set up under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Delhd, has inter-*alia* recommended that future power generation facility in Delhi may be entrusted to private sec tor and that the electricity distribution in Delhi be privatised. Government is also considering various alternatives to streamline the power supply system of Delhi for its better and efficient management and to make it more service oriented.

(c) The losses incurred by DESU luring the years 1991-92 to 1993-94 and 1994-95 (estimatedd) are as follow: